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Anti-Lecomptonism at Indianapolis.

It is amusing to see how exultant the Lecomptonites are at their success. They are all shouting and cheering, and the Legislature has passed a bill repealing the charter of the Bank of the State. This effect, we have no doubt, is the consequence of the intense prejudice existing in the minds of the members towards this Bank, and this prejudice is owing, in a great measure, to the corruption which followed in the wake of the passage of this charter. That there was corruption most foul resulted in preventing its passage through the Legislature, no one at this late day pretends to deny. But it passed the legislative tribunal—now the law—in management is in the hands of upright, honorable men, and we think the best interest of the people demands that it should be left unimpeded. The Anti-Lecomptonites looked upon Mr. Douglass as the exponent of their doctrines, and the Lecomptonites reviled and detested the Little Giant. The Anti-Lecompton Democrats engaged with the Republicans in the election of U. S. Senators, and on many other important occasions. Upon the great leading doctrine of the day, the right of a people of a territory to form such a Constitution as they might desire, there was no difference between the Anti-Lecompton Democrats and the Republicans—upon this they thought alike, and acted together. But while they were thus united in opposition to the Administration—while they united on *principles*, they separated on *spells*. When the question of the spurs of office was presented to the Anti-Lecompton Democrats, true to their ancient faith, they forgot principle, and seized on the spurs. To get the offices, they went over to the most bitter enemies, and it is said, are now acting in full fellowship with them. This is it now, as it has ever been before, that the "cohesive power of public opinion" is all that keeps the Democratic party together. Upon a platform of *principles* they separate, but when tempted by the emoluments of office they unite, and are friends. They rise up, and for a time, fight manfully for the right, but before the sun goes down they desert the living truth, sell their principles for place, and grow exultant over their humiliation. We do not wonder at the T. H. Journal reporting over such a state of things, but how honest men can exist, we confess we are unable to comprehend.

The funeral services of Mrs. Larabee wife of Prof. Larabee, were held at her residence last Monday. A long procession of her friends, followed her remains to the "Bauer," where she was deposited by the side of her little daughter Rosa—*Grecian Bauer*.

This has passed from this life into one more glorious, one of the best of women—one of the best of wives—one of the best of mothers—one of the best of friends, and one of the best of Christians. In all the relations of life, she was most exemplary, and by her death, the living have lost the daily example of one worthy of imitation.

We offer our condolences to the bereaved husband and children, and can only feel, that beneath the shade of the lovely "flower" by the side of little Rosa who was loved so well, the remains of one so good will rest sweetly, until, finally, all dust is gathered up, to be united in another and a better world.

Terre-Haute Zestings.

The first number of the above named paper, printed in this city, in the German language, was placed on our table yesterday. Its general appearance is good, and we have but little doubt the master is likewise. We have almost determined to study the German language, just to be able to read the *Zestings*. But if we do not, we shall occasionally call upon some of our German friends, to do a little translating for us.

We send the editor, Mr. F. REINHOLD, an agreeable gentleman whom we are delighted to welcome to the corps editorial.

Success to the *Zestings*, to the enterprise and to the right.

Wixson's New Steamship.—The Baltimore (Md.) Sun of the 11th inst., says: "A day or two since the Mississ. Wixson, for the first time, put into the machinery of their new and novel iron steamer, laying at their yard, Ferry Bay, South Baltimore. The large dist object was to smooth the machinery and bring the running portion into proper working condition before trying the action of the vessel through the water. A hawser was taken off to a secure fastening stern, and the steam applied. Although the propelling wheel ran at times from eighty to ninety revolutions per minute, no creaking or oscillating of the vessel was produced by its action, or the vibratory motion of the machinery. The water was thrown from the wheel at the highest revolution with much violence and in large masses; and just manner and direction, to all appearance, particularly calculated to produce forward motion with economy of power. The action of the wheel was remarkably smooth and free from jar or unpleasant sound."

Mail Robbery.—The Blackford county News says that on Friday, the 14th inst., a lad was committed to jail there on a charge of robbing the mail which he was carrying between that place and Muncie. He extracted the contents of two letters, getting from one ten and from the other one hundred dollars. There was one other letter in the bag, containing some two hundred dollars, which he did not open. The boy says the bag was so fastened that he could run his arm in between the fastenings, (rather needless Postmaster,) and he took the letters in that way. He is young, and has been led more directly into temptation through the carelessness of men in official stations—that is, if his story be true. He is committed for a preliminary examination before Judge Loughridge, on the 19th inst. "Deal gently with the erring"—especially with the young.

The Reasons.—The local of the Charleston Courier says that the Democratic party is responsible for the execrable weather of this winter, and supports the assertion by the following resonant argument: viz: that having a *Rock* for their leader, of course, he governs the *Wicks*.

It is for sale at Buckingham's Book Store.

Bank of the State.

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Will you cut the Mississippi in two?

Who will have its sources?—who its mouth?

Will the great West suffer it?

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From Washington.

SIXTY—On motion of Mr. Pugh a resolution was adopted calling on the Secretary of the Treasury to furnish returns of all articles exported and imported from Cuba to all parts of the world past five years.

After the transaction of some unimportant business Mr. Biddle, chairman of the Committee on Finance, called on the Invalid Fund.

This approximates about \$36,000 and re-enacts the provisions of the act of 1819 for the prevention of fraud. It also provides that after the first of July in the present year the pension agencies are to be abolished and their duties to be performed under the Sub-treasury, in accordance with the view to save the cost of such agencies.

The Pacific Rail road bill was then taken up.

The Senate voted on Mr. Brown's motion

yes, 19, nays 36.

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